

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 remain in this application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.

An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item(s) :

- a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure

Abstract of the Disclosure

A meatal occluder for closing a lachrymal meatus of a human eye includes a substantially cylindrical body (10). It further includes at least one fin (13) adapted to take up a folded position, wherein the fin (13) is substantially folded into the cylindrical body (10), and an extended position wherein the fin (13) projects from the cylindrical body (10), the fin (13) being heat-deformable from the folded position to the extended position.